

*The removal of freeways  
in cities today  
is less a matter of  
technical limitations  
and more a matter of  
pragmatic response,  
community aspiration,  
and political will.*

- PETER PARK



*Who is familiar with this view?*



EXIT 235A

EXIT 235B

MLK & 15th St  
1/2 MILE

Manor Rd  
NEXT RIGHT

EXIT 235  
Manor Rd  
EXIT ONLY

EXIT 235A  
MLK & 15th St





# I-35 in Austin is...

*...one of the most congested roadways in Texas.*

*\$110 million wasted annually in traffic (and that was in 2012)*

*...one of the most dangerous roadways in the City.*

*17% of the 102 deaths in 2015 occurred in the I-35 corridor*

*...a physical barrier between east and west Austin.*

*...a major contributor of air and noise pollution.*

*...not compatible with long-range visions for the City or UT.*



560

East Avenue

Austin



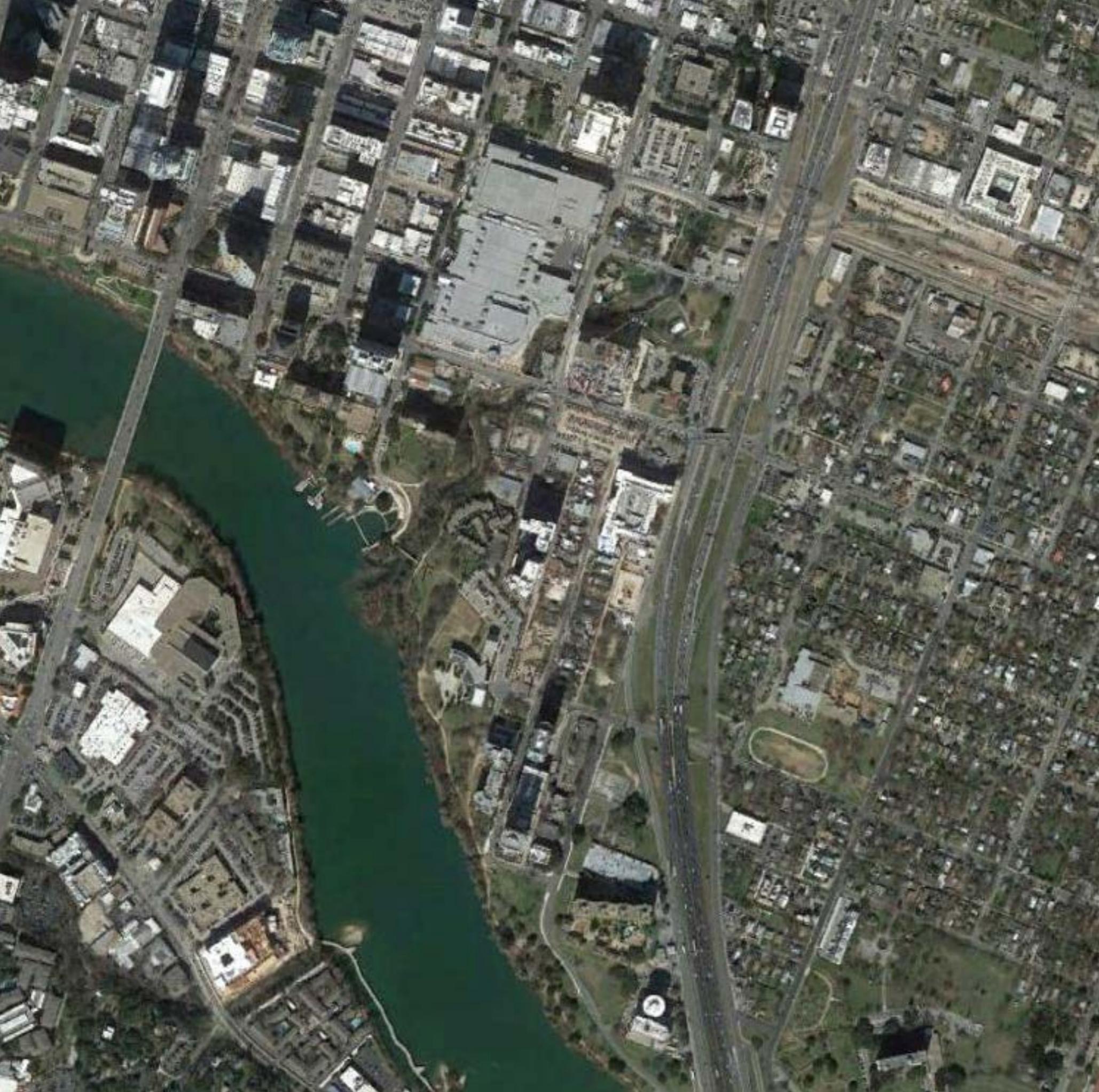
DOWNTOWN  
1952



DOWNTOWN  
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DOWNTOWN  
1964



DOWNTOWN  
2016



An aerial photograph of a multi-lane highway with heavy traffic, overlaid with text statistics. The highway is filled with cars, and the surrounding area includes buildings and green spaces. The text is white and semi-transparent, positioned in the center of the image.

*COST:* **\$ 2.8 billion**

*SIZE:* **26 lanes across**

*TRAVEL TIME INCREASE:* **30%**

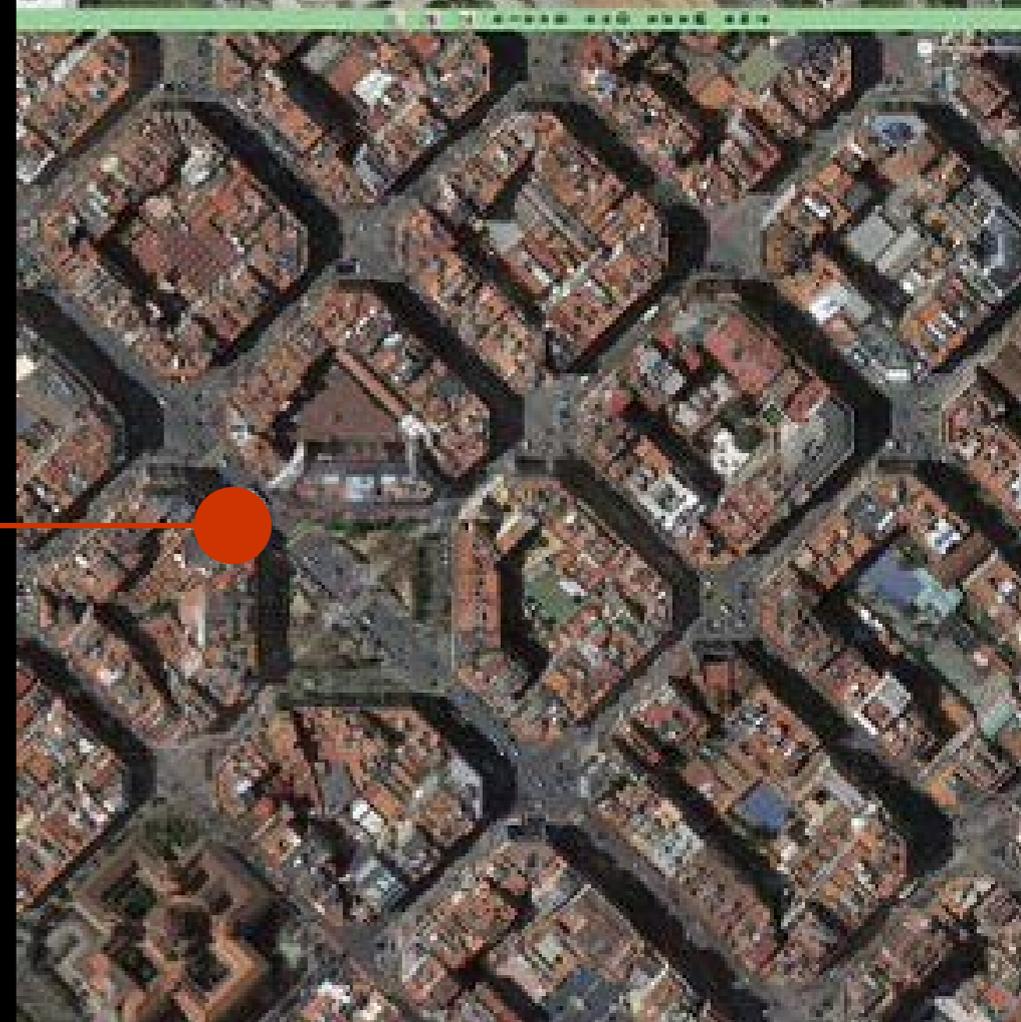


*Orvieto,  
Italy*

*Consider the  
opportunities  
we give up  
in our cities  
when we build  
big highways  
through them...*



*Barcelona,  
Spain*







**RECONNECT** *AUSTIN*



PAY TO PARK  
TAXI ZONE

NO PARKING  
ANY TIME

STOP

Lady Bird Lake  
Siverside Dr





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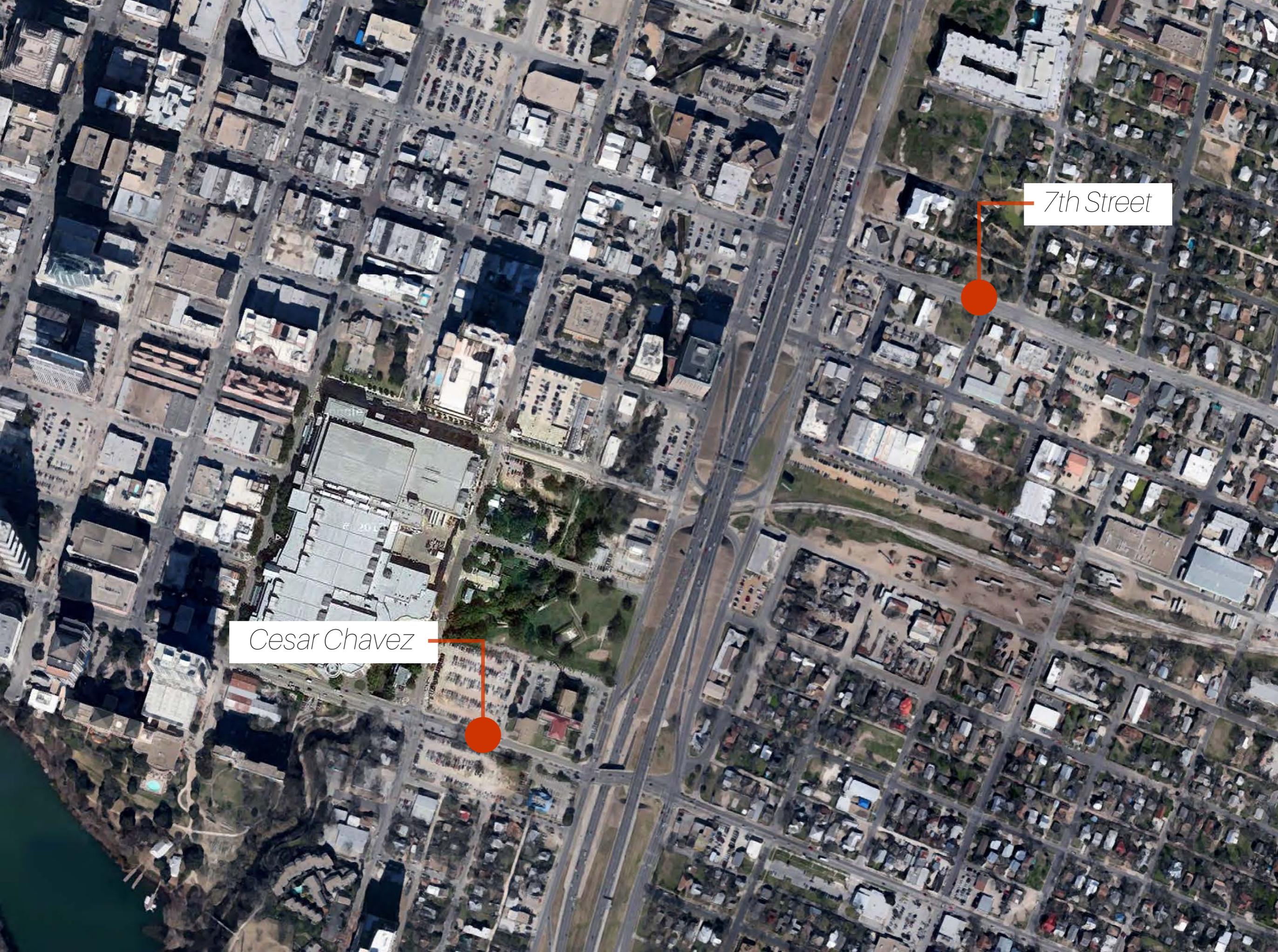
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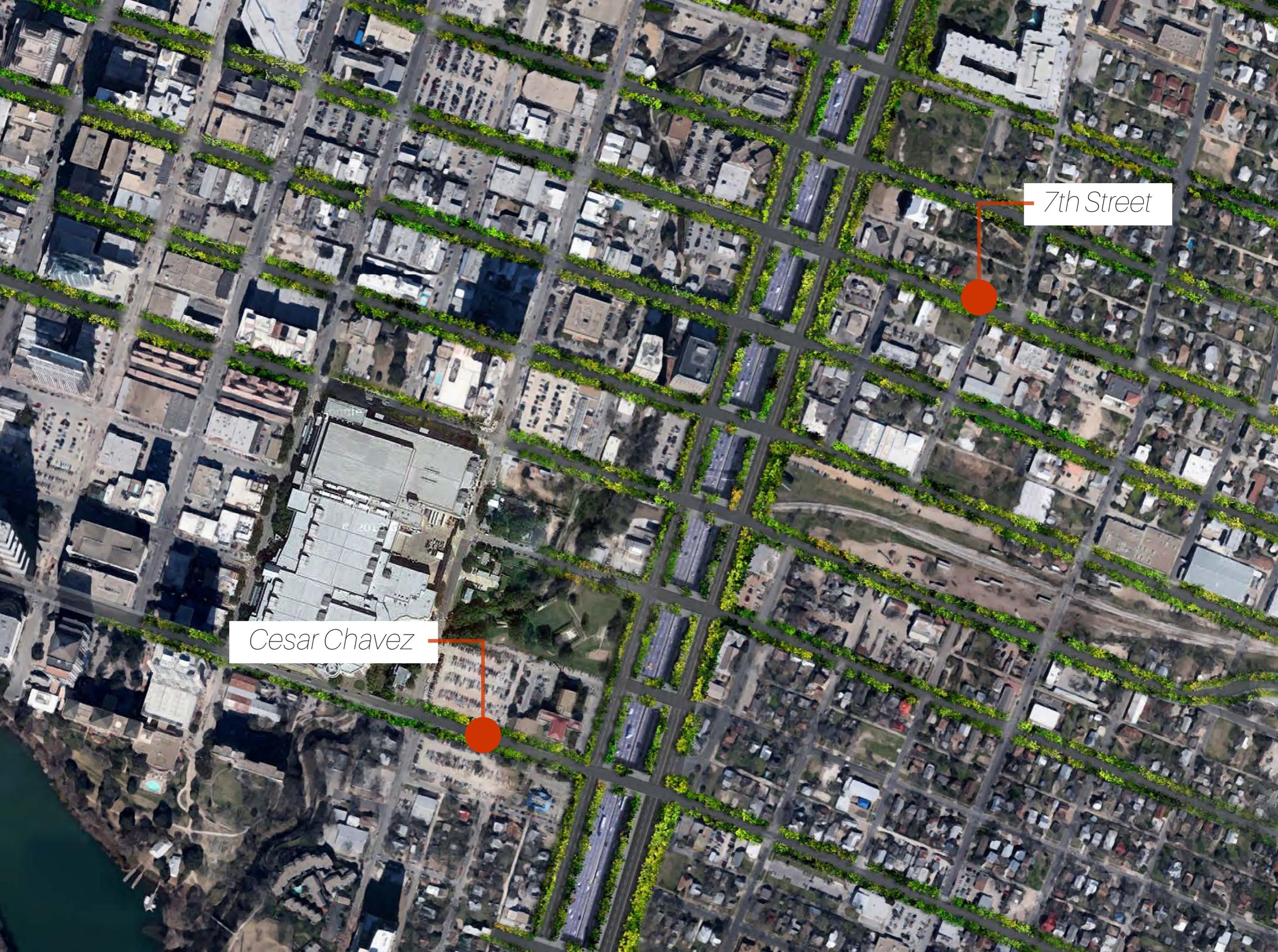


Hotel Majestic



7th Street

Cesar Chavez



7th Street

Cesar Chavez



# **BENEFITS OF RECONNECT AUSTIN**

*Economic Development*

*Social Justice*

*Environmental Quality*

*Local Connectivity (for walking, biking)*

*Regional Mobility*

# 6th Street, Looking West



# *Human-Scaled Connections*







Market

TACOS

BBQ

PHARMACY

CAFE



E. MARTIN LUTHER KING BLVD.

I-35

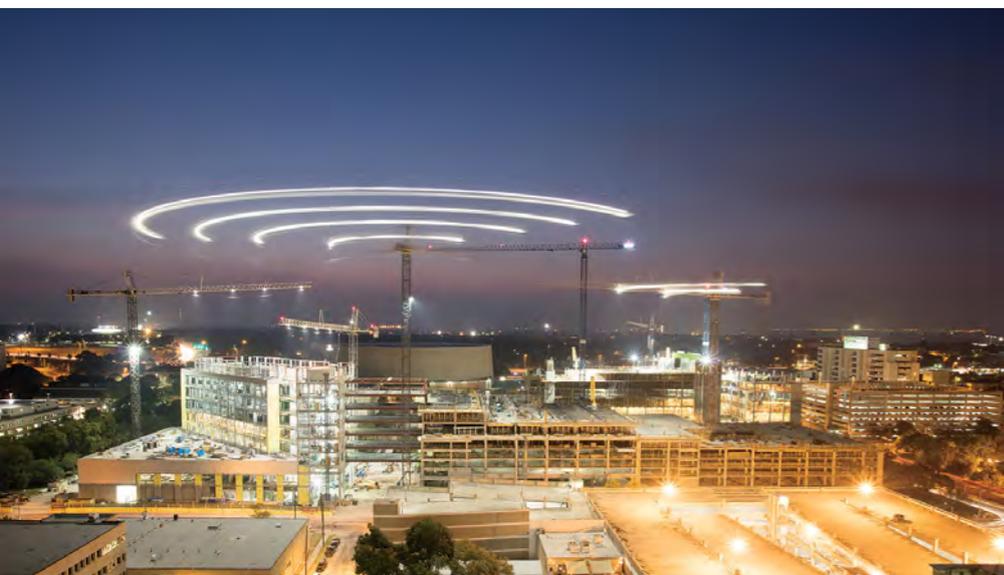
15TH STREET

SAN JACINTO BLVD

TRINITY STREET

12TH STREET

MASTER PLAN





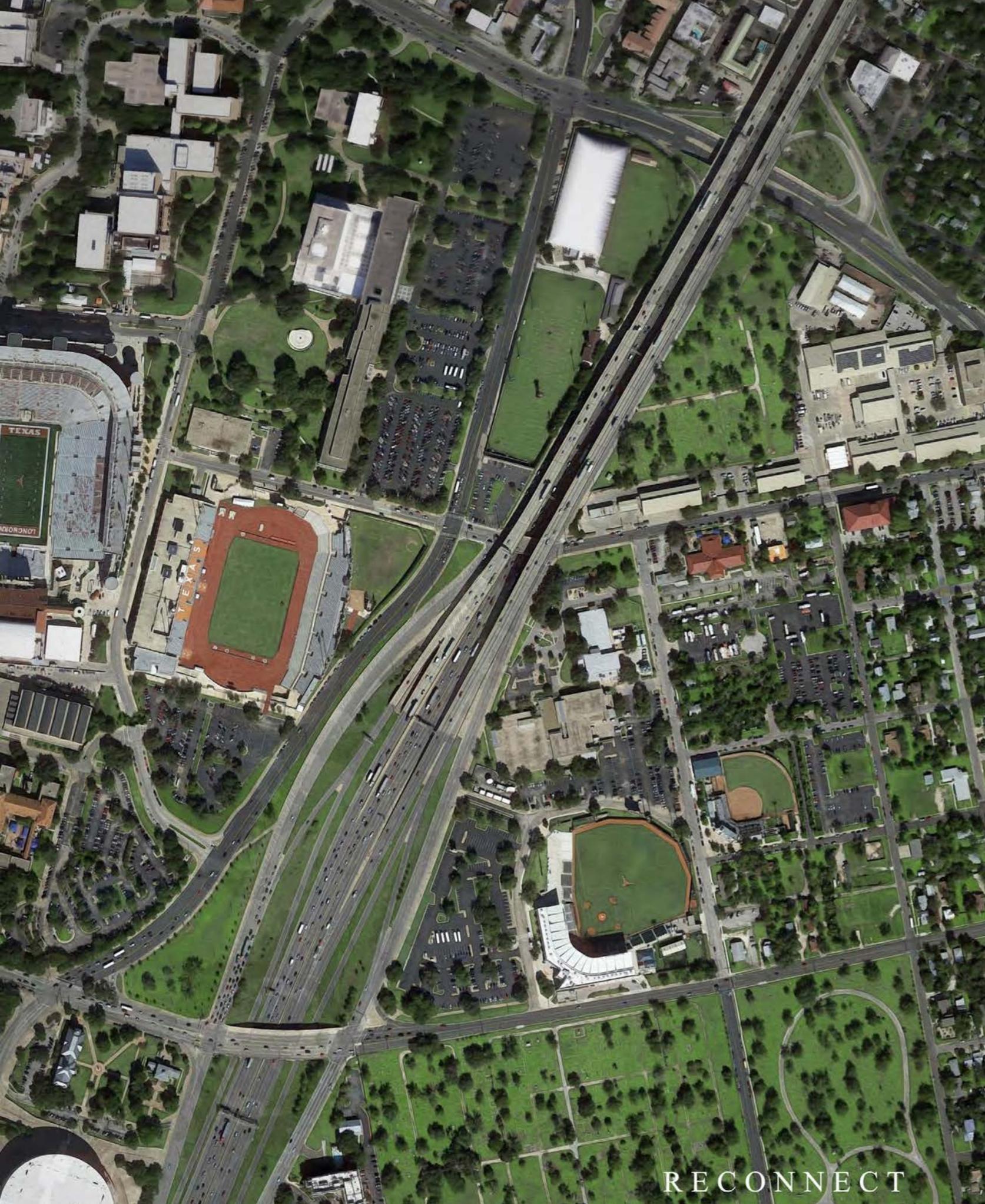
MLK Jr. Blvd

Manor Rd



Manor Rd

MLK Jr. Blvd



# UT and I-35

*Existing  
Conditions*



# UT and I-35

*The Next  
40 Acres*



**IMPROVED**

*East/West  
connectivity*







## **NEW PARKING GARAGE**

*1,000 spaces  
New street access*

*Keeps parking out  
of east Austin  
neighborhoods*

## **NEW ATHLETICS ARENA**

*Replaces loss of  
Erwin Center*



# NEW GRAD STUDENT HOUSING

*Vision informed the  
plan currently being  
implemented*

*Safer access for all  
new development  
and students east of  
I-35*



# TRAFFIC CIRCLES MLK AND DEAN KEETON

*MLK - Before & After*



*Connections for  
managed lanes  
below grade  
improves  
connectivity  
for transit*

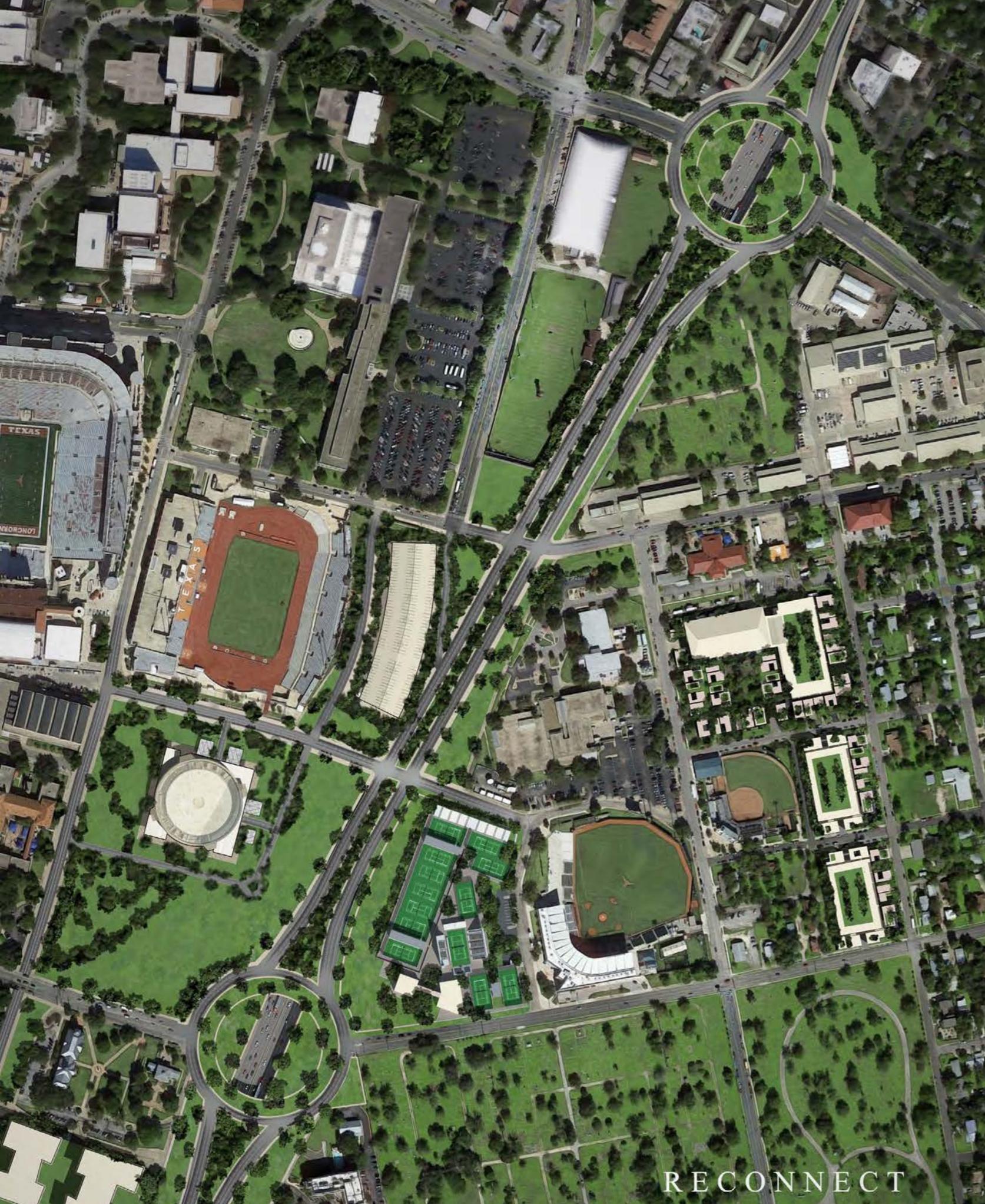


**Would you enjoy** *walking or biking across this to reach campus?*

***How about this?***







**Community  
aspiration and  
political will**  
*turns productive  
vision into a  
reality.*





UNA SILLA  
VACIA DURA 4  
AÑOS.  
UN VOTO  
EN BLANCO  
1 DÍA



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↑

TAXI



OPENING